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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Tada

Appln No.: 09/880,174

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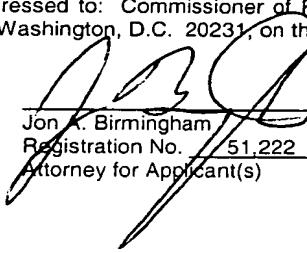
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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
ATTENTION: Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/reply in the above-identified application.

- Included with this amendment/reply are clean paragraphs/claims and marked-up paragraphs/claims according to 37 C.F.R. §1.121.
- A paper requesting correction/substitution of drawings is attached.
- No additional fee is required.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Independent Claims	3	3	**= 0	x \$ 84.00 =	\$ 0.00
Total Claims	26	26	* = 0	x \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
Fee for Multiply Dependent Claims				\$ 280.00	

** At least 3

* At least 20

- Applicant(s) assert entitlement to Small Entity Status, thus reducing the fee by half to:

Total Additional Fee

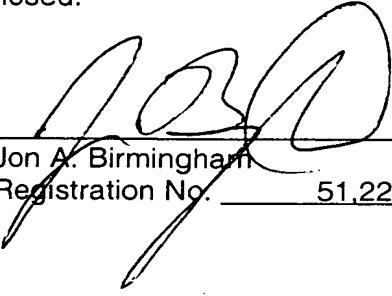
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- A check in the amount of \$____ is attached.

- Charge \$____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

January 30, 2003

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